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Please see attachment. As you see I had it addressed incorrectly.

Thanks

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Yes, I am a small stockholder of Microsoft as well as other tech stocks but I feel compelled to comment on the Microsoft Settlement. Shame Shame on the Vultures, The go\oemment as well as nine states have already agreed to a settlement. But that is not enough, the remaining states and other companies are now $\operatorname{di}\operatorname{Ang}$ in to strip remaining bits of flesh from a down-beaten company as well as pre/enting them from competing fairly under a working capitalistic system (Economics 101). The company that builds the best product should win. The employees and management of Microsoft worked their buts off to be number 1. They did such a good job that e\en other companies and their employees use Microsoft products. The other companies should "get a life," get dd of their high priced "ambulance chasing" lawyers and use that money and their own skills to make competing products. Its like forcing J. C. Pennys to remo\oe their buttons from all their shirts and gi\Ang Sears and others the opportunity to offer their buttons or even zippers perhaps. This would then gi\oe other companies an opportunity to compete "equally" with Pennys . This so called fairness issue is ridiculous. Lets continue with good healthy competition the old fashioned way. Thank you \cry much for allowing me to address this issue. Richard L. Cadson 21026 6th A\e So Seattle, WA 98198 Monday, January 28, 2002 AmericaOnfine:RichardLCa Page: I